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SUBJ: DHEW/PHS/SFCP - PROJECT NO. 07-615-4, "ZINC
NUTRITION OF TUNISIANS"

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1. FOLLOWING MEETING MENTIONED IN REFTEL DR. KALLAL
REPORTS THAT ALL PARTIES IN GOT ARE IN AGREEMENT AND
EMBASSY EXPECTS FORMAL NOTIFICATION FROM MOFA SOON.

2. DR. KALLAL INFORMS EMBASSY THAT AGREEMENT INCLUDES (A)
REQUIREMENT THAT ALL EQUIPMENT USED FOR PROJECT BE LEFT
IN TUNISIA ONCE PROJECT COMPLETED AND (B) PAYMENT OF FUNDS
FOR PROJECT THROUGH MIN. OF FINANCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOT
BUDGETARY PROCEDURES BUT WITH IMPORTANT MODIFICATION
NOTED BELOW.

3. DR. KALLAL HAS INDICATED THAT PAYEE FOR PROJECT SHOULD
BE: MINISTERE DE LA SANTE PUBLIQUE, INSTITUT NATIONAL
DE NUTRITION-PROJECT ZINC. KALLAL, AS DIRECTOR OF
INSTITUTE, WILL TURN MONEY OVER TO MIN. OF FINANCE WHO
WILL DISBURSE MONEY TO INSTITUTE. AGREEMENT, HOWEVER,
PROVIDES FOR ADVANCE RELEASE OF ADMINISTRATIVE FUND
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WHICH WILL PROVIDE CASH ON HAND WHICH KALLAL CAN SPEND

TO MEET OPERATING NEEDS AND WHICH CAN BE RENEWED AS
REQUIRED. THIS PROCEDURE PROVIDES NEED FLEXIBILITY
TO PERMIT PROJECT TO PROCEED AND YET MEETS GOT REQUIREMENT
THAT SUCH FUNDS BE RELEASED BY MIN. OF FINANCE IN A
GENERALLY SIMILAR MANNER AS GOT BUDGET FUNDS. DR. MAY
IN CONSTANT CONTACT WITH EMBASSY AND DR. KALLAL AND IS IN
AGREEMENT WITH ABOVE.

4. PLEASE AUTHORIZE EMBASSY TO MAKE PAYMENT TO ABOVE
PAYEE. EMBASSY RECEIVED A COPY OF FORM OS-48 DATED
11-30-72 IN AMOUNT OF 8,893 DINAR ATTACHED TO SAME TYPE
FORM FOR PROJECT OF DR. HAMZA, IMMUNOLOGICAL RESPONSE IN
MALNOURISHED CHILDREN. WAS THIS SENT IN ERROR? PLEASE
ADVISE.
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